

Amendments to the claims:

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1. (currently amended) A saw blade for power tools, in particular for power reciprocating saws, having comprising a blade back (14) and a tothing (12), said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including comprising many saw teeth (13) lined up in succession, characterized in that wherein in successive portions (a, b) of the tothing (12), each with an integral number of saw teeth (13), the saw teeth (13) are embodied with have the same tooth width (a<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>), which however wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth (13) in the preceding or succeeding portion (b, a) of the tothing (12).

2. (currently amended) The saw blade of claim 1, characterized in that wherein the a first tooth width (a<sub>2</sub>) of the saw teeth (13) in one set of portions (a) of the tothing (12) is equivalent to the a thickness of the blade back (14), and the a second tooth width (b<sub>2</sub>) of the saw teeth in the other portions of the tothing differing from it the first tooth width of the saw teeth (13) in the other portions (b) of the tothing (12) is brought about achieved by a material removal or material compacting.

3. (currently amended) The saw blade of claim 2, characterized in that wherein in successive portions (b) of the tothing (12) with saw teeth (13) having the reduced second tooth width (b<sub>2</sub>), the material removal or material

compacting is performed in alternation from ~~one~~ a first side and ~~the other~~ a second side of the blade back.

4. (currently amended) The saw blade of claim 3, characterized in that wherein the saw teeth (13) with the reduced tooth width ( $b_x$ ) are transposed ~~and the transposition is done~~ toward the a side of the blade back (11) remote from the material removal or material compacting.

5. (canceled)


6. (canceled)

7. (canceled)

8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) The saw blade of claim 2, characterized in that wherein successive portions (a, b) of the toothing (12) have in alternation one tooth of large tooth width ( $a_z$ ) and two teeth (13) of reduced tooth width ( $b_x$ ).

10. (canceled)




11. (new) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade.

12. (new) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, and wherein the

recesses extend as far as an upper edge of the blade back remote from the tothing.

13. (new) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, wherein the recesses end at a distance in front of an upper edge of the back blade remote from the tothing.

14. (new) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel



recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, wherein the recesses are inclined relative to the tothing at an acute angle in the advancement direction of the saw blade, and wherein the acute angle is equivalent to a rake angle of the saw teeth.

15. (new) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along the lower edge of the blade back, and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, wherein the recesses are cut into the blade back and the tothing before a transposition of the saw teeth.